

# ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



## Sixth Sunday of Easter

MAY 25, 2025

10:30AM IN THE CHURCH



*Welcoming all in community;*

*Joyfully doing God's work  
in the world.*

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St. Matthew's Episcopal Church sits on the traditional homelands of the people of the Council of Three Fires: the Ojibwe, Potawatomi, and Odawa nations. This land was also a place of travel and trade to many other tribes, including the Menominee, Ho-Chunk, and Miami tribes. These Native Peoples were forced off their lands with the Second Treaty of Prairie du Chien in 1829. After a series of land transfers, St. Matthew's acquired its current site within this territory in 1906. Today, Cook County is home to tens of thousands of Native Americans from many tribes. We acknowledge and respect our Indigenous neighbors, as we strive to be good stewards of this Native land.

## ST. MATTHEW'S EVENTS

<i>Sundays</i>	<b>Sunday Forum led by Whayne</b> 9:15 – 10:15am in the Parlor
<i>May 31</i>	<b>Spring Cleaning Day</b> , 9am, Help wash windows, clean the basement and the second floor classrooms.
<i>June 10</i>	<b>Stitching Group</b> , 7:30pm in the St. Matt's Library
<i>June 15</i>	<b>Race Against Hate</b> , 7:30am in Evanston
<i>June 22</i>	<b>Early Chapel Service Begins</b> , 7:30am in the Chapel <b>Beach Church Begins</b> , 9:00am at Grosse Point Lighthouse Park (weather permitting; watch for emails if we need to move indoors).
<i>June 29</i>	<b>5-Church Beachapalooza</b> , 10am, Lakefront at Hamilton Street

### Welcome to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

Welcome! If you would like to become a registered parishioner or are just updating your information, please complete as much information as possible. Completed forms may be returned to the Parish Office, placed in the offering plate or mailed to the office. You may also fill out this form online by scanning the QR Code below.

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# WELCOME TO ST. MATTHEW'S

Whoever you are and wherever you find yourself in your journey of faith,  
you are welcome at God's table to receive the bread made holy.

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## THE PRELUDE

Children of the Heavenly Father  
Quinn Brann, *piano*

*arr. Howard Helvey*

## THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #400* All creatures of our God and King *Lasst uns erfreuen*  
Verses 1, 5 & 7

1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us  
\*2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -  
\*3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to  
4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our  
5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your  
\*6 And ev - en you, most gen - tle death, wait - ing to hush our fi - nal  
7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -

1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing  
2 loft, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing  
3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -  
4 way, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and  
5 part, O — sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that  
6 breath, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back  
7 ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the

1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,  
2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,  
3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,  
4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:  
5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:  
6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:  
7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

*Refrain*  
O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*All stand.*

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may  
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

*People* Amen.

*The people may sit.*

## THE GLORIA

*James Janssen*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo-ple on

5 earth. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,

10 we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

15 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther. Lord God, Lamb of

22 God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy up - on us;

30 you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.

37 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

42 you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

47 *gradually slowing to the end*  
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*The people stand.*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES (16:9-15).

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM 67 *Deus misereatur*



<sup>1</sup> May God be merciful to us and bless us, \*  
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

<sup>2</sup> Let your ways be known upon earth, \*  
your saving health among all nations.

<sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.

## THE PSALM 67 *Deus misereatur*



- <sup>4</sup> Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \*  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide all the nations upon earth.
- <sup>5</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.
- <sup>6</sup> The earth has brought forth her increase; \*  
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- <sup>7</sup> May God give us his blessing, \*  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

### A READING FROM THE REVELATION TO JOHN (21:10, 22-22:5).

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb

. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day~ and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

1 God of mer - cy, God of grace, show the bright - ness of thy  
2 Let thy peo - ple praise thee, Lord; be by all that live a -

face. Shine up - on us, Sa - vior, shine, fill thy  
dored. Let the na - tions shout and sing glo - ry

Church with light di - vine, and thy sav - ing health ex -  
to their Sa - vior King; let all be, be - low, a -

tend un - to earth's re - mot - est end.  
bove, one in joy, and light, and love.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN (14:23-29).**

*People*    **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

The Gospel of our Savior.

*People*    **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**THE SERMON**

*The Rt. Rev. Whayne Hougland, Jr.*

*After a time of silent reflection, all are invited to stand, as they are able, and say together:*

## THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Leader* Alleluia! What was dead shall live; what was dark shall shine; what was forgotten shall be remembered, for the Lord is risen and walks among us. Let us confidently bring before God the needs of all our world, asking God for renewal, saying: Christ is risen, Christ is risen indeed. God of life, in gratitude and great joy we laud you for the gifts of Christ's resurrection. On this day give us hope, for Christ is risen:

*People* **Christ is risen indeed.**



*Leader* On this feast which brings joy to all Christian believers, may we commit ourselves to work toward the unity of the church, that Christ's body may be one, for Christ is risen:

*People* **Christ is risen indeed.**

*Leader* Honoring the gift of Christ's risen body, may we rise to serve all those whose needs keep them from seeing themselves as the image of God; for Christ is risen:

*People* **Christ is risen indeed.**

*Leader* For all who have need of the gift of Easter; for all who journey from illness to health, from despair to hope, from grief to consolation, from loneliness to love; be with those whose names we bring before you both out loud and in our hearts: especially we pray for Janice, Gina, Dorothy, Jeremy, Tobin, Kaden, Larry, Beth, Brad, Ann, Bob, Sue, Becky, Ramona, Harriet, Paige, Kate, Benjamin, Bob, Ralph, Jessica, Maeve, John, Cathy, Donna, Carol, Will and for the Congolese family we've been matched with in partnership with RefugeeOne:

*People* **Christ is risen indeed.**

*Members of the congregation are encouraged to add their own intercessions silently or aloud.*

*Leader* For all our siblings, that death may have no more power over us, for Christ is risen:

*People* **Christ is risen indeed.**

*Leader* For all who suffer and all who mourn, that today God will wipe away every tear, for Christ is risen:

*People* **Christ is risen indeed.**

*Leader* May we have the persistent faith of Mary Magdalene and the surprised belief of Peter and John. May we long to be God's sign of life in our world, for Christ is risen:

*People* **Christ is risen indeed.**

*Leader* We pray for all your children here at St. Matthew's, that we may faithfully live into your mission in the world. May we be one in faith with all who have died in Christ, for our life is hid with Christ in God; for Christ is risen:

*People* **Christ is risen indeed.**

*Presider* God of life, we thank you for the mystery planted in us, the paradox of life from death and community from scattered disciples. We praise you for the dying which saves us from death and for the rising which brings us life. We pray, as we live, through Jesus the risen one, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Presider* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People greet each other in the name of Christ.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The people sit.*

## THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Short Festival Te Deum*

Gustav Holst

We praise thee, O God: we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father everlasting. To Thee all Angels cry aloud: the Heavens and all the powers therein. To Thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry, Holy, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of Thy Glory. The glorious company of the Apostles praise Thee. The godly fellowship of the Prophets praise Thee. The noble army of Martyrs praise Thee. The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee; The Father of an infinite Majesty; Thine honorable, true, and only Son; Also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter. Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father. When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man: Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb. When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father. We believe that Thou shalt come to be our Judge. We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood. Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting. O Lord, save Thy people: and bless Thine heritage. Govern them and lift them up for ever. Day by day we magnify Thee; and we worship Thy Name, ever world without end. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin. O Lord, have mercy upon us. O Lord, let Thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in Thee. O Lord, in Thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

## THE OFFERTORY HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #405*

*All thing bright and beautiful*

*Royal Oak*

*Refrain*



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea - tures great and small,  
all things wise and won - der - ful. God made them all.  
all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.

1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,  
2 The pur - ple - head - ed moun - tain, the riv - er run - ning by,  
3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,  
4 He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell



he made their glow - ing col - ors, he made their ti - ny wings,  
the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright - ens up the sky,  
the ripe fruits in the gar - den, he made them ev - ery one.  
how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

*The people stand.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP PRAYER 3

*Presider* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to God.**

Let us give our thanks to Almighty God.

**It is right to give God our thanks and praise.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

## THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

*James Janssen*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho -

5  
- ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are

9  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

14  
Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the

18  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel, as able.*

*Presider* Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, Jesus broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

*All*     **Dying, you destroyed our death.  
Rising, you restored our life.  
Christ Jesus, come in Glory!**

*Presider*     Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with Matthew and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

*All*     **Blessed are you now and for ever.  
AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Presider*     And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People*     **Our Father, who art in heaven,  
          hallowed be thy Name,  
          thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
          on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,  
          as we forgive those  
          who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
          but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
          and the power, and the glory,  
          for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*The people are seated for the Agnus Dei*

## THE AGNUS DEI

*James Janssen*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on\_ us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us\_ peace.

*Presider* The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you.

## THE COMMUNION HYMN LEVAS #141

Shall we gather at the river

*Robert Lowry*

Verses 1, 3 & 4

1. Shall we gath-er at the riv-er, Where bright an-gel feet have trod;—  
2. On the mar-gin of the riv-er, Wash-ing up its sil-ver spray,—  
3. Ere we reach the shin-ing riv-er, Lay we ev-'ry bur-den down;—  
4. Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv-er, Soon our pil-grim-age will cease,—

1. With its crys-tal tide for-ev-er Flow-ing by the\_ throne of\_ God?  
2. We will walk and wor-ship ev-er, All the hap-py\_ gold-en\_ day.  
3. Grace our spir-its will de-liv-er, And pro-vide a\_ robe and\_ crown.  
4. Soon our hap-py hearts will quiv-er With the mel-o-dy of\_ peace.

Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er, The beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful\_ riv-er;

Gath-er with the saints\_ at the riv-er That flows by the throne of\_ God.

*After who wish to receive communion or a blessing have come forward, all stand, as able.*

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Presider* Let us pray.

*People* **Eternal God, heavenly Father,**  
you have graciously accepted us  
as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE EASTER BLESSING

*Presider* May Almighty God, who has redeemed us  
and made us his children  
through the resurrection of his Son our Lord,  
bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

*People* **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism  
has raised us from sin into newness of life,  
make you holy and worthy  
to be united with Christ for ever.

**Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin  
into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer,  
bring you to your eternal inheritance.

**Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Creator, the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

THE CLOSING HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #518* Christ is made the sure foundation Westminster Abbey

Verses 1, 3 & 4

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major, 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a corresponding line of lyrics. The lyrics are for verses 1, 3, and 4 of the hymn. The music is characterized by a steady, hymn-like melody with a strong harmonic foundation.

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and  
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of  
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of  
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,  
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion  
Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness  
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's  
pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in  
hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est  
with the bless - ed to re - tain. and here - af - ter

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.  
Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.  
ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.  
in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

THE POSTLUDE

Fanfare  
Quinn Brann, *organ*

*Francis Jackson*

## Leading Our Worship This Morning

*Celebrant:* The Rt. Rev. Whayne Hougland, Jr  
*Deacon:* The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey  
*Music Director:* Mark Crayton  
*Greeter:* Volunteer  
*Lectors:* Larkin Myers  
*Prayer Leader:* Don Churchill  
*Chalice Bearer:* John Searles, Volunteer

*Acolytes:* Molly Purse, Willow Myers,  
Harper Olsen, Bob Purse  
*Bread Baker:* Volunteer  
*Altar Guild:* Connie Conley,  
Deborah Williams, Pat Egan  
*Green Team:* Anne Branning  
*Livestream:* Volunteer

## The Choir of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

Mark Crayton, Music Director  
Quinn Brann, Organist/Pianist

### Soprano

Monique Austin  
Charlotte Bishop  
Ginger Carr  
Alice Dolan  
Rachel Handrick\*  
Katilynn Meine\*  
Kaylie O'Dell\*\*

### Alto

Bernadette Brockman  
Nancy Churchill  
Emily Scharf\*  
Angela Torres-Kutkuhn\*†

### Tenor

Riley Brown\*\*  
Michael Kirby\*  
Francis Lynch  
Karlos Piñero-Mercado\*

### Bass

Terry Bucher\*  
Steve Carr  
Jack Ellis\*\*  
Jake Engel  
Louise Floyd\*

\*Section Leader

\*\*Staff Singer

†Choral Assistant

## Spring Cleaning Day Saturday, May 31 | 9am St. Matt's Church

Join us at 9am on Saturday, May 31 for an all-morning cleanup at the church. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. We aim to recover spaces that have gotten very cluttered and some that are in need of repair. A dumpster will be there, and we hope to fill it!

For further information, contact Steve Carr, Senior Warden, at [s-carr@northwestern.edu](mailto:s-carr@northwestern.edu).





# St. Matthew's Stitching Group

Tuesday, June 10

7:30pm in the Library



This is a purely social group, gathering for fellowship and conversation. Join us while you knit, embroider, quilt, or just do mending...or nothing!

All are welcome! For information, contact Mary Jo Deysach at [mjdeysach@gmail.com](mailto:mjdeysach@gmail.com).



## Beach Church Season Begins Soon!

**June 22 - September 14 | Grosse Point Lighthouse Park**

Join us for another season of St. Matt's Beach Church starting Sunday, June 22. Sunday service is at 9am on the lakefront at Grosse Point Lighthouse Park (weather permitting; otherwise, and email will be sent out to all those on our email list that we will be worshipping in the church). **For those who prefer to worship indoors**, please join us at our 7:30am service in the chapel at St. Matt's.

## Summer Concierge Needed!

The summer concierge moves supplies and assists with the practicalities of Beach Church worship. **This is a paid position for someone with access to a larger vehicle and able to carry up to 50 lbs.** Tasks involve loading all worship supplies at church, stopping at Backlot Coffee to pick up our order, conveying all supplies to our worship spot, setting up for worship and then clean up and returning all materials back to church for cleaning and replenishment.

**Work hours** are roughly 7:30am - 11:00am every Sunday morning from June 22 - September 14. This task could be done by several different parties on a rotating basis if one single person cannot do it alone. **Please contact Gregory** at [gregory@stmatthewsevanston.org](mailto:gregory@stmatthewsevanston.org) if you are willing and able to fill this role!

## 5-Church Beachapalooza

**June 29 | 10am | Lakefront at Hamilton Street**

Join neighboring Episcopal Churches - St. Andrew's Pentecost, St. Augustine's (Wilmette), St. Luke's, St. Mark's and St. Matthew's - for our annual collaborative worship service.

# Anti-Racism Team

**How did the Race Against Hate start?** The race began to honor the legacy of Ricky Byrdsong, former Northwestern University basketball coach and Aon Corporation VP. Byrdsong was gunned down in 1999 by a white supremacist while walking with his two young children. His widow, Sherialyn Byrdsong, started walking as a way of processing her grief, a practice that evolved into the first race in 2000. It became too big for the family to manage, so Byrdsong began partnering with the YWCA in 2007. The event celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> year in 2024 with 4,000 runners and status as an event that brings together the community and supports the YWCA's mission to eliminate racism and empower women. Donate to the June 15<sup>th</sup> race at <https://tinyurl.com/yunz6rvn>.



## Support the YWCA with Episcopalians United Against Hate

Join us at the Race Against Hate. You can run, walk, or just donate. Your participation will further the mission of the YWCA Evanston/North Shore: eliminating racism, empowering women, and promoting peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all. Thank you!

### To walk or run:

- Go to the team page at <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/raceagainsthate2025/team/989979/>
- Click on the white button (right side of page) that says, "Register for the Race," and fill in the form.
- Go back to the team page. Click on the orange box (right side of page) that says, "Join Our Fundraising Team," and fill in the form.
- Share and ask for donations for the team on social media and via email, text, and word of mouth!

### To do fundraising only:

- Go to the team page at <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/raceagainsthate2025/team/989979/>
- Click on the orange box (right side of page) that says, "Join Our Fundraising Team," and fill in the form.
- Share and ask for donations for the team on social media and via email, text, and word of mouth!

### To donate only:

- Go to the team page at <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/raceagainsthate2025/team/989979/>
- Click on the orange box (right side of page) for "Donate to Our Team Goal," and fill in the form.
- Share and ask for donations for the team on social media and via email, text, and word of mouth!

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are encouraged to include these names in your daily prayers.

During Sunday worship, you are encouraged to offer silently or aloud your prayers to God. If you wish to add a name to the prayer list, email [info@stmatthewsevanston.org](mailto:info@stmatthewsevanston.org). Names are listed for 4 weeks.

The Prayer List is prayed for weekly by the St. Matthew's Prayer Group.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** The Anglican Church of Kenya.

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** *Congregations in the Joliet Deanery:* St. Paul in Kankakee; St. John in Lockport; St. Thomas in Morris; *Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk:* San Pedro in Veracruz; St. Peter in Wun-Kur

**For the congregation at St. Matthew's** as we embrace our mission to be welcoming all in community; joyfully doing God's work in the world: welcoming our neighbors near and far.

**We pray for all those who celebrate birthdays in May:** Christina Burt, Stephen Creech, Catherine LaBranche, Kate Lauderbaugh, Jack Lerman, Francis Lynch, Kathy Riley, Susan Rundle, Xander Senechal, Sarah Skidmore, Steve Steiber and Dorothy Wyandt.

**We pray for all those who celebrate anniversaries in May:** Karen & Gary LaBranche, Dorothy & John Lloyd-Still, Ginny Voedisch & Bill McSweeney, Gina & Bob Purse.

**We pray for equal opportunity and equal treatment under the law for all people;** that we may be agents of God's kingdom, dismantling systems of injustice wherever and whenever we can, and for the will to enact common sense gun control laws.

**We pray for those in uniform, risking their lives daily on our behalf:** Cobe Layag, Jeremy Garrett, Aaron Grant, Thomas Greenwich, Lee Henderson, Tyler Howland, Peter Marks, Ian McGuffin, Joseph Sanford, Emma Seckinger, Thomas Garbee, and the members of our city's fire and police departments, and for their families.

**We pray for those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit or who have asked for our prayers:** Jancie Dark, Gina Purse, Dorothy Wyandt, Jeremy Herschaft, Tobin Hudgins, Kaden Brown, Larry Anderson, Beth Swigart, Brad Swigart, Ann Wilson Wesley, Bob Baker, Sue Zundel, Becky Wilson, Ramona Frederickson, Harriet Brandt, Paige D, Kate Martin, Benjamin Ticobay, Bob Teska, Ralph Motogawa, Jessica Mueller, Maeve Shampine, John Wagner, Cathy Fiala, Donna Wagner, Carol Wagner, Will Widmer and for the Congolese family we've been matched with in partnership with RefugeeOne.

**We pray for all in need:** those struggling with the Coronavirus, all victims of this pandemic, organ donors and those awaiting transplant, the lonely and isolated, our nation, especially those oppressed by our current systems, those protesting racial injustice, all elected officials seeking to lead communities in this challenging time, the unemployed and under-employed.

**We pray for those suffering** from acts of violence – including warfare, gun violence and sexual violence – as well as from natural disasters, and their aftermaths.

**We pray for all who have died,** especially **Alan Simons** and **Raymond La Russo**, brother of Ramona La Russo-Frederickson.

## ABOUT THIS MORNING'S SERVICE

While the shape and format of our service is from the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer* (revisions authorized by the Episcopal Church, March 17, 2020), St. Matthew's strives to offer worship that is relevant, inclusive, and hospitable: worship which is in keeping with our mission to be "welcoming all in community; joyfully doing God's work in the world." Therefore, we draw upon a variety of authorized sources, adapting them as necessary.

In today's service, the Opening Acclamation comes from "Text of Expansive Language Liturgies – from Resolution 2018-D078- updated 09-02–2019" and the introductions to prayers and responses and the Peace come from *Enriching Our Worship I*. The Collect of the Day comes from a collection of prayers written to match the lessons appointed in the Revised Common Lectionary: *Prayers for an Inclusive Church* by Steven Shakespeare. Scripture readings follow the Revised Common Lectionary using the *New Revised Standard Version* of the Bible.

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St. Matthew's lay leaders duly elected and appointed at  
The 149<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Parish on January 26, 2025

**St. Matthew's Vestry**

Stephen Carr, *Senior Warden*

Tim Patenode, *Junior Warden*

William Widmer, Kelsey Davies, Jim Kelly (2026)

Dudley Conley, Larkin Myers (2027)

Roberta Buchanan, Karen Hertel, David Parks (2028)

*Clerk of the Vestry*, Larkin Myers (2028)

Christopher Motogawa, *Treasurer* (2026)

**Trustees of St. Matthew's Endowment**

Don Churchill (2025)    Mary Clark (2025)    Ann Searles (2026)

**St. Matthew's Lay Delegation to the  
187<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Diocese of Chicago**

ONLINE – All Day, Saturday, November 22, 2025

Delegates: Mary Clark, Ann Searles, Julia Green

**Clergy and St. Matthew's Staff**

The Most Rev. Sean Rowe, 28<sup>th</sup> *Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church*

The Rt. Rev. Paula E. Clark, *Thirteenth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago*

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